

party's request to file materials under seal must be made by formal motion, separate from the motion or other pleading sought to be sealed, pursuant to LCvR 7.1. Such motion must be filed electronically under the designation "Motion to Seal." The motion must set forth:

- (1) A non-confidential description of the material sought to be sealed;
- (2) A statement indicating why sealing is necessary and why there are no alternatives to filing under seal;
- (3) Unless permanent sealing is sought, a statement indicating how long the party seeks to have the material maintained under seal and how the matter is to be handled upon unsealing; and
- (4) Supporting statutes, case law, or other authority.

LCvR 6.1. It appears that the requirements of LCvR 6.1(c)(1) through (4) have been addressed.

By the instant motion, Plaintiffs seek to seal Exhibits A, I, and J to Plaintiffs' "Motion To Compel Defendants To Produce Third-Party Communications" (Document No. 114). (Document No. 116). Plaintiffs note that Exhibits A, I, and J "contain information designated by Defendants as being highly confidential." Id. Plaintiffs further note that counsel for the parties will confer to determine appropriate redactions. Id.

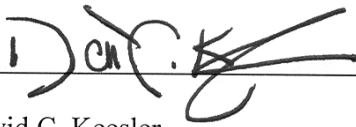
Having considered the factors provided in LCvR 6.1(c), and Defendants' consent, the Court will grant the motion to seal. Noting that the time for public response has not run to this motion, the Court will consider any objection to this Order from non-parties as an objection to the motion, requiring no additional burden for any non-party under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. See Local Rule 6.1(e).

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Plaintiffs' "Motion To Seal" (Document No. 116) is **GRANTED**. Document Nos. 117-1, 117-9, and 117-10 shall remain under **SEAL** until otherwise ordered by this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiffs' counsel, following consultation with Defendants' counsel, shall file redacted versions of sealed Document Nos. 117-1, 117-9, and 117-10, on or before **November 8, 2024**. Redactions should be applied only as necessary.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: November 1, 2024



David C. Keesler
United States Magistrate Judge

